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For: NOVEL COMPOUNDS

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed December 29, 2003 (for which petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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01 FC:1201	86.00 OP
02 FC:1202	306.00 OP
03 FC:1251	110.00 OP

Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Claim 15: line 1, delete "**chemokine mediated**", and insert – gastrointestinal tract – in its place.

Line 2, delete "**wherein the chemokine binds to a CXCR2 receptor**".

(see attachment)

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Leonard Mitchard on 05-24-04. Support for the amendment is on page 31 in the specification.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant's amendment of 04-29-04 has overcome the previous rejections of 112/1st and 2nd paragraphs by properly defining variables L²-L⁵, and by including "tautomer" in claim 1. It is recognized that the support for the "tautomer" of formula I comes from species of "thiazolo[4,5-d]pyrimidin-7(4H)-one". Thus, there is no new matter. The species in claim 6 have been divided, and recited in new claims 18-39, and thus, claim 6 is now in accordance with

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a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, as claimed in claim 1 with a pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier.

13-14 (deleted)

*Examiner's
Amendment
9/5-24-04*

15 (previously presented). A method of treating a ~~chemokine-mediated~~ ^{gastrointestinal tract} disease ~~wherein the chemokine binds to a CXCR2 receptor~~, which comprises administering to a patient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, as claimed in claim 1.

16 (previously presented). A method of treating an inflammatory disease in a patient suffering from, or at risk of, said disease, which comprises administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, as claimed in claim 1.

17 (original). A method according to claim 16, wherein the disease is psoriasis.

18 (new). A compound according to claim 1 being selected from:

N^7 -[3-(Dimethylamino)propyl]-5-(pentylthio)thiazolo[4,5-*d*]pyrimidine-2,7-diamine,

N^7 -[2-(Diethylamino)ethyl]-5-(pentylthio)thiazolo[4,5-*d*]pyrimidine-2,7-diamine,

N^7 -[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-5-(pentylthio)thiazolo[4,5-*d*]pyrimidine-2,7-diamine,

3-[(2-Amino-5-(pentylthio)thiazolo[4,5-*d*]pyrimidin-7-yl)amino]-1-propanol,

N^7 -Cyclohexyl-5-(pentylthio)thiazolo[4,5-*d*]pyrimidine-2,7-diamine,